



Diary of a Wimpy Kid Read Alikes

"The Adventures of Captain Underpants: an epic novel" by Dav Pilkey

When George and Harold hypnotize their principal into thinking that he is the superhero Captain Underpants, he leads them to the lair of the nefarious Dr. Diaper, where they must defeat his evil robot henchmen.

J SER CAP

"Amelia's Middle School Survival Guide" by Marissa Moss

Amelia records in her diary a nightmare come true when her embarrassing older sister tags along on a sixth-grade class trip, and then she learns about the nasty side of gossip when rumors start about her at her new school.

J SER AME

"Babymouse: Queen of the world" by Jennifer L. Holm

An imaginative mouse dreams of being queen of the world, but will settle for an invitation to the most popular girl's slumber party.

J GN BAB

"Big Nate: In a Class by Himself" by Lincoln Peirce

Supremely confident middle school student Nate Wright manages to make getting detention from every one of his teachers in the same day seem like an achievement.

JF PEI

"Clarice Bean Don't Look Now" by Lauren Child

When her best friend announces that she is moving away, Clarice Bean has a new entry for her "Worry" journal and hopes that something will happen to change things back to the way they were.

JF CHI

"Clementine " by Sara Pennypacker

While sorting through difficulties in her friendship with her neighbor Margaret, eight-year-old Clementine gains several unique hairstyles while also helping her father in his efforts to banish pigeons from the front of their apartment building.

JF PEN

"Cockroach Cooties" by Laurence Yep

Teddy and his little brother Bobby devise strategies using bugs to defeat the school bully.

JF YEP

"The Curse of Addy McMahon" by Katie Davis

After her father's death, aspiring sixth-grade writer Addy McMahon feels like she is cursed with bad luck, and when she temporarily loses her best friend, and is forced to admit that her mother is dating again, she vows she will never write another word.

JF DAV

"The Day My Butt Went Psycho" by Andy Griffiths

When Zack's butt decides to run away, Zack ends up on a journey across the Great Windy Desert, through the Brown Forest, and over the Sea of Butts before descending into the heart of an explosive buttcano to face the biggest butt of all.

J SER DAY

"Dear Dumb Diary: Let's Pretend This Never Happened" by Jim Benton

In her diary, middle school student Jamie Kelly describes her life at home and at school, including her attempts to triumph over her nemesis, the beautiful and popular Angeline.

J SER DEA

"Doodlebug: A Novel in Doodles" by Karen Romano Young

When Doreen "Dodo" Bussey's family moves to a new home, her mother gives her a blank notebook in which Dodo documents her new life, from the move and first days in a new city, to her new school and friends.

J GN YOU

"Dork Diaries: Tales from a not-so-fabulous life" by Rachael Renee Russell

Fourteen-year-old Nikki Maxwell writes in her diary of her struggle to be popular at her exclusive new private school, then of finding her place after she gives up on being part of the elite group.

J SER DOR

"Ellie McDoodle: Have Pen, Will Travel" by Ruth McNally Barshaw

Eleven-year-old Ellie McDoodle illustrates her sketchbook with chronicles of her adventures and mishaps while camping with her cousins, aunt, and uncle.

JF BAR

"Eoin Colfer's Legend of Spud Murphy" by Eoin Colfer

When their mother starts dropping them off at the library several afternoons a week, nine-year-old William and his brother dread boredom and the overbearing librarian, but they are surprised at how things turn out.

J SER EOI

"Flyboy of Underwhere" by Bruce Hale

On a mission to recover the magical toilet brush, heroes Zeke and Stephanie, sidekick Hector, and their cat Fitz return to the mysterious world of Underwhere.

J SER UND

"Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom" by Eric Wight

Fourth-grader Frankie Piccolini has a vivid imagination when it comes to cleaning his disastrously messy room, but eventually even he decides that it is just too dirty.

J SER FRA

"Franny K. Stein, Mad Scientist: Lunch Walks Among Us" by Jim Benton

Franny K. Stein is a mad scientist who prefers all things spooky and creepy, but when she has trouble making friends at her new school she experiments with fitting in--which works until a monster erupts from the trashcan.

J SER FRA

"Frindle" by Andrew Clements

When he decides to turn his fifth grade teacher's love of the dictionary around on her, clever Nick Allen invents a new word and begins a chain of events that quickly moves beyond his control.

JF CLE

"Hank Zipper: Niagara Falls, or does it?" by Henry Winkler

Fourth-graders Hank, Ashley, and Frankie are excitedly preparing for a magic show at the Rock 'N Bowl when Hank's creative alternative to an English essay lands him in detention and grounded the week of the show.

J SER HAN

"Heads or Tails: Stories from the Sixth Grade" by Jack Gantos

Jack's diary helps him deal with his problems which include dog-eating alligators, a terror for an older sister, a younger brother who keeps breaking parts of himself, and next-door neighbors who are really weird.

JF GAN

"The Homework Machine" by Dan Gutman

Four fifth-grade students--a geek, a class clown, a teacher's pet, and a slacker--as well as their teacher and mothers, each relate events surrounding a computer programmed to complete homework assignments.

JF GUT

"Horace Splattly the Cupcaked Crusader: To Catch a Clownosaurus" by Lawrence David

When Horace and his schoolmates spend a weekend at a camp in the Laffy Woods, the Cupcaked Crusader must cope with Mr. Dienow, the diabolical science teacher, as well as his sister's dangerous search for Blootinite, and the forest monsters known as Clownosauruses.

J SER HOR

"Horrible Harry and the Ant Invasion" by Suzy Kline

Horrible Harry of classroom 2B cuts back on his mischievous pranks after falling for Song Lee.

J SER HOR

"The Janitor's Boy" by Andrew Clements

Fifth grader Jack finds himself the target of ridicule at school when it becomes known that his father is one of the janitors, and he turns his anger onto his father.

JF CLE

"Judy Moody" by Megan McDonald

Third grader Judy Moody is in a first day of school bad mood until she gets an assignment to create a collage all about herself and begins creating her masterpiece, the Me collage.

J SER JUD

"Just Grace" by Cherise Mericle Harper

Misnamed by her teacher, seven-year-old Just Grace prides herself on being empathetic, but when she tries to help a neighbor feel better, her good intentions backfire.

J SER JUS

"Lenny and Mel After School Confidential" by Erik P. Kraft

Urged by their parents to join an after-school club, twin brothers Lenny and Mel are assigned by the teacher who runs the school newspaper to report on the school's other organizations.

JF KRA

"Lucy Rose: Working Myself to Pieces and Bits" by Katy Kelly

In her diary fourth grader Lucy Rose, lover of palindromes and big words, records her adventures with friends Jonique and Melonhead, including their unorthodox ways of raising money for the McBees to remodel their bakery.

JF KEL

"Melonhead" by Katy Kelly

In the Washington, D.C. neighborhood of Capitol Hill, Lucy Rose's friend Adam "Melonhead" Melon, a budding inventor with a knack for getting into trouble, enters a science contest that challenges students to recycle an older invention into a new invention.

JF KEL

"Middle School is Worse Than Meatloaf: A Year Told Through Stuff" by Jennifer L. Holm

Told entirely through notes, grocery receipts, and a vast array of other items, this story follows Ginny as she accidentally dyes her hair pink, throws live frogs in class, and loses the lead role in ballet to her ex-best friend.

JF HOL

"Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Stuart Little" by Peggy Elizabeth Gifford

With summer coming to an end, about-to-be-fourth-grader Moxy Maxwell does a hundred different things to avoid reading her assigned summer reading book.

JF GIF

"My Rotten Life" by David Lubar

Tired of continually having his feelings hurt by popular students and bullies, fifth-grader Nathan agrees to try an experimental formula, Hurt-Be-Gone, and becomes a half-dead zombie, a condition which, he soon discovers, has some real advantages.

J SER NAT

"The Mysterious Benedict Society" by Trenton Lee Stewart

After passing a series of mind-bending tests, four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened, where the only rule is that there are no rules.

YA SER MYS

"My Weird School Daze: Mr. Dole is Out of Control" by Dan Gutman

Second grade graduation turns into a full-blown spectacle when an overzealous PTA president pulls out all the stops for A.J. and his classmates on the last day of school.

J SER MYW

"NERDS: National Espionage, Rescue, and Defense Society" by Michael Buckley

While running a spy network from their elementary school, five unpopular misfits combine their talents and use cutting-edge gadgetry to fight evil around the world.

JF BUC

"Oggie Cooder" by Sarah Weeks

Quirky fourth-grader Oggie Cooder goes from being shunned to everyone's best friend when his uncanny ability to chew slices of cheese into the shapes of states wins him a slot on a popular television talent show, but he soon learns the perils of being a celebrity--and having a neighbor girl as his manager.

JF WEE

"Please Write in This Book" by Mary Amato

When Ms. Wurtz leaves a blank book in the Writer's Corner with a note encouraging those who find it to "talk to each other" in its pages, the student's entries spark a classroom-wide battle.

JF AMA

"The Popularity Papers: Research for the Social Improvement and General Betterment of Lydia Goldblatt & Julie Graham-Chang" by Amy Ignatow

Two best friends embark on a project to study the behavior and taste of the popular girls at their elementary school so that by the time they get to middle school they too will be in the right crowd. Novel appears in the form of a scrapbook.

JF IGN

"Raymond and Graham Rule the School" by Mike Knudson

Best friends Raymond and Graham have looked forward to being the "oldest, coolest, toughest" boys at East Millcreek Elementary School, but from the start of fourth grade everything goes wrong, from getting the scary teacher to not getting the lead in the school play.

JF KNU

"Regarding the Fountain: A Tale, in Letters, of Liars and Leaks" by Kate Klise

When the principal asks a fifth-grader to write a letter regarding the purchase of a new drinking fountain for their school, he finds that all sorts of chaos results.

JF KLI

"The Riot Brothers Stinky and Successful: the riot brothers never stop" by Mary Amato

The Riot brothers rescue a damsel in distress -- The Riot brothers fool their mom -- The Riot brothers become mad scientists -- Bonus!

JF AMA

"Roscoe Riley Rules #1: Never Glue Your Friends to Chairs" by Katherine Applegate

When the first-graders' bee antennae would not stay on their heads and the drummers would not stay in their seats for the open house play, Roscoe decides to help by using the "don't-you-dare" glue.

J SER ROS

"Rumblewick's Diary: My Unwilling Witch Goes to Ballet School" by Hiawyn Oram

Rumblewick, a Highly Qualified Witch's Cat, records in his diary all the problems he has when his reluctant young witch decides she would rather go to ballet school on the Other Side than engage in proper witch behavior.

J SER RUM

"The Secret Science Alliance and the Copycat Crook" by Eleanor Davis

Eleven-year-old Julian Calendar thought changing schools would mean leaving his "nerdy" persona behind, but instead he forms an alliance with fellow inventors Greta and Ben and works with them to prevent an adult from using one of their gadgets for nefarious purposes.

J GN DAV

"Star Jumper: Journal of a Cardboard Genius" by Frank Asch

Determined to get far away from his evil little brother, Alex works to design a spaceship that will take him so far away from Earth that not even the NASA experts can find him, yet when his brother catches on to his plan, Alex fears that his nearly finished project may be ruined before he gets his chance to take-off.

J SER JOU

"Stink: The Incredible Shrinking Kid" by Megan McDonald

The shortest kid in the second grade, James Moody, also known as Stink, learns all about the shortest president of the United States, James Madison, when they celebrate Presidents' Day at school.

J SER STI

"The Strange Case of Origami Yoda" by Tom Angleberger

Sixth-grader Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a paper finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their weird classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future. Includes instructions for making Origami Yoda.

JF ANG

"Stuart Goes to School" by Sara Pennypacker

Worried about his first day at a new school, eight-year-old Stuart wears his magic cape and hopes that it will help him.

JF PEN

"Swindle" by Gordon Korman

After unscrupulous collector S. Wendell Palamino cons him out of a valuable baseball card, sixth-grader Griffin Bing puts together a band of misfits to break into Palomino's heavily guarded store and steal the card back, planning to use the money to finance his father's failing invention, the SmartPick fruit picker

J SER SWI

"Sideways Stories from Wayside School" by Louis Sachar

Humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.

JF SAC

"Who Shrunk Daniel Funk: Attack of the Growling Eyeballs" by Lin Oliver

Daniel Funk, who lives with three sisters, his mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, has always wanted a brother, and when he suddenly shrinks to the size of a toe, he discovers that he has a twin brother who is the same size.

J SER WHO